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Serial No.: 10/728,517 Group Art Unit: 2822  
Filed: December 5, 2003 Docket: 8836-203 (IE12204-US)  
For: **CLEANING SOLUTION AND METHOD FOR SELECTIVELY REMOVING LAYERS IN A SILICIDATION PROCESS**

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[ ] A verified statement to establish small entity under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.  
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INDEP.	4*	MINUS 5***	= 0	X	100	\$ 0	X	200 \$ 0
[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				X	180	\$	X	360 \$ 0
TOTAL						OR TOTAL		\$ 0

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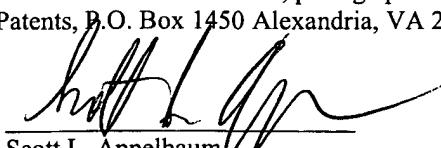
This Amendment is submitted in response to the March 28, 2006 Final Office Action issued by the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified application. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the claim rejections based on the following amendment and remarks.

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